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"Lost Horse Quarry Proposed to Operate, Darby Ranger District"

Hamilton, Montana, June 5, 2007— The Forest Service is considering a proposal from the Ravalli County Road and Bridge Department for the use of the Lost Horse Quarry on the Darby Ranger District for a period of 10 years. The area from which they wish to remove rock and excavate material is an existing quarry in the W1/2 Sec.18, T4N, R21W, approximately 4.5 miles up Lost Horse Road and 1000 ft. north on Forest Road #62969. Ravalli County will be using materials from the Lost Horse Quarry to maintain Road #429 as well as other county roads.

Written, facsimile, hand-delivered, oral, and electronic comments will be accepted until July 9, 2007. Written comments must be submitted to Chuck Oliver, District Ranger at Darby. For more information, contact Elizabeth Ballard at 406-777-7421.

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